IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MS JUSTICE G.ROHINI

WRIT PETITION NO : 16598 of 2004

Between:

P.Srinivas Varma, S/o Late Srirama Raju,
R/o Medchal Village & mandal, Ranga Reddy District

..... PETITIONER

AND

1 The Assistant Commissioner of Police, Alwal Sub-Division, Cyberabad, Ranga Reddy District
2 The Commissioner of Police, Cyberabad, Hyderabad
3 The Mandal Revenue Officer, Medchal Mandal, Ranga Reddy District.
4 The District Collector & District Magistrate, Ranga Reddy District

.....RESPONDENT(S)

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue a Writ, Order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondents not grant the gun license to the petitioner for self-protection to himself, his family members and properties is illegal, arbitrary, and consequently direct the respondents to grant of fresh Arms License to the petitioner.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.PRAKASH CHAKRAVARTHY

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR HOME

The Court at the stage of admission made the following Order:

The petitioner seeks a declaration that the action of the respondents in not granting the Arms licence to the petitioner for self-protection, as arbitrary and illegal.

The grievance of the petitioner is that though he made an application on 20-07-2004, the respondents failed to consider the same and no orders have been passed so far. The petitioner states that both the Circle Inspector of Police, Medchal and the Mandal Revenue Officer, Medchal Mandal submitted their enquiry reports stating that the request of the petitioner is genuine and the same deserves consideration.

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned counsel appearing for the respondents, without expressing any opinion with regard to the entitlement of the petitioner for the Arms licence as sought by him, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition with a direction to the fourth respondent-District Collector and District Magistrate, Ranga Reddy District to consider the application of the petitioner dated 20-07-2004 and to pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of this Order.

The writ petition is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

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16-09-2004

Note: Issue C.C. by two days

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To

1 The Assistant Commissioner of Police, Alwal Sub-Division, Cyberabad, Ranga Reddy District
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